

March 20, 2009

The Honorable George Miller  
Chairman  
Committee on Education and Labor  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2181 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515-6100

Dear Chairman Miller,

Below find the responses to the additional questions from the Committee regarding my testimony at the March 3, 2009, Committee on Education and Labor Subcommittee on Workforce Protections hearing on "Encouraging Family-Friendly Workplace Policies."

***Questions:***

***1. Are you currently, or have you at any time in the past, acted as a "member lobbyist" for the Service Employees International Union (SEIU)? For purposes of these questions, the term "member lobbyist" refers to participation in any lobbying or advocacy efforts on behalf of SEIU or any of its affiliates.***

Answer 1: Yes, I am currently a member lobbyist for the Service Employees International Union.

***2. Please describe how you were selected to be a "member lobbyist" for the SEIU, and detail your activities and duties as an SEIU "member lobbyist."***

Answer 2: I was identified and recommended for this program by the leadership of my Union Local, and selected by SEIU.

My activities have entailed educating federal elected officials and constituents on health care and employee free choice. My duties include attending Congressional hearings and meetings, engaging in voter education outreach, public speaking, distributing information to Congressional offices, and SEIU member to member training and education.

***3. Do you receive any compensation from SEIU for your service as a "member lobbyist?" For purposes of this question, "compensation" includes wages (whether hourly, salaried, per diem, contract, or in any other form), travel expenses, lodging, meals, the reimbursement of expenses, or any other benefit provided to you by SEIU.***

Answer 3: Yes

- 4. *If the answer to question 3 is “yes,” please provide the nature and amount of any and all such compensation you have received or expect to receive for your service as a “member lobbyist.”***

Answer 4: I receive for my service as a member lobbyist \$500 per week before taxes, \$35 per diem for meals and incidental expenses, as well as lodging, and airfare for two trips to and from Washington - one at the outset of my service and one visit home during my service.

- 5. *On what date did you begin your service as a “member lobbyist” and on what date do you anticipate ending that service?***

Answer 5: My service as a “member lobbyist” for SEIU began on February 2, 2009, and it ends on April 3, 2009.

- 6. *Where have you resided during your tenure as a “member lobbyist”?***

Answer 6: While in Washington, I am residing in Crystal City, Virginia.

- 7. *You testified at the hearing that your employer was the State of Illinois. Have you received, or do you anticipate receiving, any compensation from the State of Illinois by virtue of your employment during your tenure as a “member lobbyist?” If so, please provide the nature and amount of any such compensation.***

Answer 7:

I wish to correct and amplify my answer. The State of Illinois is not technically my employer. My client is my employer. I am an independent worker who receives payments from the State of Illinois for my services as a personal assistant to my client. I found a substitute to provide services to my client during my absence, and continued to receive payments for these services from the state of Illinois during this time. As a member lobbyist, I received the compensation described in my response to question 3.

- 8. *Please provide the names, employer(s), and job titles of any person or person who assisted you in the preparation of your written testimony before the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections on March 3, 2009.***

Answer 8:

Allicyn Wilde  
Employer: SEIU Healthcare 775NW  
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Mark McCullough  
Employer: Service Employees International Union  
Title: Senior Campaign Communications Specialist

Desiree Hoffman  
Employer: Service Employees International Union  
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***9. Please provide the names, employer(s), and job titles of any person or persons who assisted you in the preparation of your responses to these questions.***

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